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Applicant: Fumiko YANO Conf.: 8820
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DISPLAY METHOD

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SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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August 25, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary dated July 24, 2003, applicant provides the following substance of the interview as required by MPEP

§713.04). During the interview, applicant's representative, Examiner Fouladi and the Examiner's Supervisor Luu were present.

During the interview, independent claims 1, 6 and 11 and 13 were discussed in relation to the rejection in view of Seto (JP 10-293569A).

Applicant's representative explained to the Examiner and her Supervisor that the Seto reference does not teach the recording and use of proximal reference points for each character to calculate the display coordinates of each dot pattern of each character in a character series, as recited in applicant's claims.

The Examiner stated that the origination point and the reference point on the arch as shown in Fig. 9 of Seto provide the claimed approximate reference points, the display angle and the display reference position. Applicants disagreed with the Examiner's assertion, however, the Examiner was adamant in her position.

The Examiner and her supervisor did agree that the relation of each character in a character series to each other using proximate reference points is not taught by Seto. Therefore, the Examiner and her supervisor suggested amending the claims to clarify the coordination of characters in a character series based on the proximate reference points to overcome the rejection. The Examiner suggested some general guidelines for amending the claims, and suggested some claim language, but was not definitive on particular claim language to use.

Applicant respectfully submits that the above substance of the interview complies with the requirements for providing a summary of record of the interview. If the Examiner requires anything further on this matter, applicants is respectfully requested to contact applicant's representative to make such requirements known.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit


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Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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